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THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" We have our own problems. I do not think it worthwhile to go into the question of collecting statistics and comparing the figures."

Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars with previous service in the Commercial Tax Department and amalgamation of the Commercial Tax Department with Revenue Department.

* 57 Q.—SRI M. ETHIRAJULU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars who had acted previously as Deputy Commercial Tax Officers and Assistant Commercial Tax Officers in the Commercial Tax Department in South Arcot district; and

(b) whether the Government have any proposal to amalgamate the Commercial Tax Department with Revenue Department?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) There are 7 Tahsildars and 4 Deputy Tahsildars who have worked previously as Deputy Commercial Tax Officers and Assistant Commercial Tax Officers respectively in the Commercial Taxes Department in the South Arcot district.

" (b) No."

SRI M. ETHIRAJULU :—" May I know Sir, whether the Government recently allotted a certain percentage of the vacancies in the grade of Assistant Commercial Tax Officers to those affected in the Revenue Department in this State? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" I think so, Sir. Off-hand I am not able to say what exactly happened. I require notice."

Number of houses requisitioned under the Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act.

* 58 Q.—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the number of houses requisitioned under the Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act and allotted to Government officials during 1952–53;

(b) the number of such cases in which the Government servants failed to pay the rents due; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to recover such amounts?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGHA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (a) 1,086 (one thousand and eighty-six).

" (b) 36 (Thirty-six).

" (c) Action is promptly taken by the Accommodation Controller in the City and by the Rent Controllers in the mufassal for recovery of arrears of rent from the allottees."